

TROOPS SENT TO RETAKE TORREON

Carranza's Communication Cut by Troops of Gen. Argumedo at Torreon.

Gen. Jose E. Argumedo and Gen. Ygnacio Rios, with 2000 men, have been dispatched south from Chihuahua city to drive Gen. Benjamin Argumedo and his 2000 soldiers out of the Laguna district, according to Mexican consular records. This Constitutional force will endeavor to wipe out Carranza's forces which are reported to have occupied, coming in from the suburbs of Gomez Palacio Sunday morning.

Wire communication between Juarez and Torreon was cut Sunday morning on the entrance of Argumedo's troops into Torreon, according to reports in Juarez Sunday night. Gen. Rosendo Hernandez is believed to have started south towards Argumedo's forces in the Laguna district, through which Carranza has been romping for many months, robbing at will, unopposed, with campaign against Villa in the north taking the bulk of the Carranza soldiery. Reports of an unconfirmed nature declare that Carranza's army, which recently declared their independence of Carranza in Durango state, have joined Argumedo. Villa, in the vicinity of the Rio Encarnacion valley, was reported Sunday to be still in the section west of Chihuahua city, stationary. It is not credited that Villa is about to join Argumedo at this particular time. Reports that Gen. Luis Herrera has been invested with the command of the military in Chihuahua state are unfounded, according to Mexican consular records in El Paso. No such appointment has been made, said Mr. Garcia, and was not at this period contemplated, to his knowledge.

U. S. NAVAL MAN LOCKED IN PRISON IN JUAREZ; RELEASED

Gunner Schmidt, of the U. S. gunboat "Iris," went across the Rio Grande in uniform Saturday afternoon to receive \$35 that had been taken from him by a confidence man. He got into an altercation with a number of the friends of the man he was after and was arrested. Upon placing him in the Juarez lockup, the officials took up communication with the naval recruiting station in El Paso and later in the afternoon Schmidt was released. Schmidt is serving his second enlistment with the navy and had a 30 days' leave of absence, during which time he had planned to visit his parents in St. Louis. He left his boat at Guaymas and made his way to El Paso by way of Nogales. He wired for money while in the Juarez prison and a return message from his officers on the "Iris" was to the effect that funds would be sent him to continue on with his journey.

CANCER FEARED; HUERTA IN BED

Old General May Have to Undergo Many More Operations This Week.

Gen. Victoriano Huerta is facing a long period of continuous operations, each operation being a "tapping" to relieve him of accumulated liquid in his gall bladder. The old general's condition is a serious one, his sufferings not being definitely labeled by his physicians, but is understood to be growth which is destroying the tissue of that vital organ. Dr. M. P. Schuster, Gen. Huerta's physician, Sunday reported that his distinguished patient was facing a long period in which continuous "tappings" would be required to relieve him. "There is no definite number of 'tappings' in store for the general," said Dr. Schuster, "but from time to time we shall be compelled, probably, to draw off the accumulated liquid which so distresses him. This 'tapping' will be a matter of every few days, at the present outlook."

MONEY DECREE OF GOVERNOR IS NOT APPLIED TO JUAREZ

Reports in El Paso Sunday said that the new Carranza decree in Chihuahua city, placing an arbitrary value on Constitutional paper money and regulating business profits, would not be enforced at this time in Juarez. The reason given for this was the border location of the city.

FOUR, INCLUDING OFFICER, ARE EXECUTED IN TORREON

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 16.—Four persons, including a former Villa officer, were executed Sunday in Torreon, Mex., according to telegraphic advices today. The officer, it was said, had been given amnesty, but was found guilty of making remarks subsequently inimical to the Carranza government.

PLANNING TO RESTORE THE MEXICAN MONEY ORDER

Advices Monday to the local Mexican consulate declare that the postal authorities in Mexico City are taking steps to reestablish the postal money order system throughout the republic.

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MEXICO CABINET IS NOW FORMING

Obregon Will Not Be Minister of War, It is Stated; too Popular.

The new provisional cabinet of Mexico, to serve during the pre-constitutional period through which the republic must pass before the calling of general elections, is being formed in Queretaro, capital of the state of the same name, south of San Luis Potosi.

The executive heads of the entire Carranza government have assembled at Queretaro and the business under way is discussed by the Carranza veterans in El Paso to be the consideration of the immediate future of the administration, with the personnel of a new cabinet under discussion. There will be little change in the makeup of the new cabinet, it is announced. Carranza's Venustiano Carranza will remain "first chief" in charge of the executive power of the Constitutional government.

Jesus Acuna will probably remain as secretary of the interior. Luis Cabrera will stay as secretary of finance. Eliseo Arredondo will in all probability remain ambassador to Washington, although an 11th hour necessity might call him back to assume the burden of secretary of foreign relations.

Who Will Handle Army?

The big question is who shall be secretary of war. Pablo Gonzalez, general in command of the army of the west, is slated for that office. It is stated, Gen. Alvaro Obregon is being considered for the position of secretary of war as the hope of Americans and other foreign interests, but in face of the slogan adopted of Mexico for Mexicans, it is considered that only a fast and hard bargainer between Obregon and Carranza could effect such an event.

Gen. Obregon as secretary of war in the provisional cabinet would be considered a civil servant, not a military official, and eligible for the presidency at election time. It is pointed out by some, but this is not necessarily true. Carranza's lack of military experience has always been one of the army and none of them ever relinquished their military position to take the position of secretary.

Obregon Kept Moving. Gen. Obregon has been kept moving from point to point with no opportunity to get into close personal touch with any sizable body of soldiers. The statement of Carranza's inner circles. Men have been shifted continuously under him by orders from the "first chief." The bulk of the makeup of the new government of Mexico is composed of amateurs at government running. It is claimed. Time is required at rolling out the inequalities of the system which has found itself in control of practically every section of the big republic and the most critical period of the whole Mexican situation at hand the government of Venustiano Carranza, it is reported.

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Burro, Parrot, Horses and Dogs Killed During 1915

Thirty-five teams were ordered from the streets by the humane officers during the past year as being in no condition to work. The humane officer for the El Paso Humane society in his annual report which was made Saturday afternoon, he was forced to kill two mules, a burro, 27 dogs and 32 cats to relieve their suffering. Only eight arrests were made during the year and two of these were convictions for cruelty to animals. Seven cases of abuse of children were investigated but no arrests were made, according to the report. Mrs. R. M. G. Williams, the secretary, reported that \$651.35 had been collected during the year. The officers for the year were elected and are as follows: Mrs. P. A. Hoxey, president; Mrs. Edith Lane, first vice president; Mrs. W. A. White, second vice president; Mrs. Elizabeth Seay, third vice president; Mrs. B. M. G. Williams, secretary; W. T. Hixson, treasurer. The chairman of the committees appointed for the year are: Mrs. J. R. Rhein, educational; Mrs. B. M. G. Williams, publicity; Mrs. E. B. Jones, telephone committee. The next meeting will be on the first Tuesday in February.

FALL'S AMENDMENT PLANS PANAMA TOLLS EXEMPTION

Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—Secretary of the Interior Lane today designated 2,900,000 acres of land as non-irrigable, opening to settlement areas in several western states. The land includes 2,000,000 acres in South Dakota, 500,000 in California and 250,000 in Montana.

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DRIVE AMERICANS FROM EL ARDENIA

Employees Sent to Start Up Smelter, But Argumedo's Men Drive Them Out.

Employees of the American Smelting and Refining company at the company's plant at Velardeña, below Torreon, have been driven out from the smelter to Torreon by armed bands operating under Gen. Benjamin Argumedo, according to advices to officials of the corporation in El Paso Monday morning. The men who were sent down to start operations under the Carranza government control of affairs, were run into Torreon before the furnaces had been fired or the details of resumption of operations completed. It was reported by wire to El Paso.

Local agents of the company refuse to be ousted but have admitted among themselves, it is stated on good authority, that conditions are not yet favorable for returning to the plant. Orders for wholesale opening up of plants. Orders from headquarters in the east, New York and kindred cities, however, have instructed that all plants be started again under the new government's military policy of the mining districts as promised to Washington by Carranza officials.

Anxiety Felt for Chihuahua. Anxiety is general in El Paso over the situation developing in Chihuahua City, with the arrival there of thousands of former Villista soldiers who have been disarmed and given passes to their homes. The activities of Gen. Benjamin Argumedo in the Laguna district have cut railroad communication at that point with the south and central portions of Mexico. It is reported.

With the reestablishment of rail communication again with the central parts of Mexico, the Carranza government former soldiers will be shipped to their homes and the situation relieved, it is expected.

Victims Work Handicapped. Arrivals from the Laguna district and further south declare that present conditions are perhaps temporary. Carranza's efforts to move forward. Symptoms of inefficiency in the Carranza government are being reported, and signs of petty grafting are coming to the front in many instances, arrivals say.

Aside from the few able leaders immediately surrounding the first chief and his cabinet, the bulk of the makeup of the new government of Mexico is composed of amateurs at government running. It is claimed. Time is required at rolling out the inequalities of the system which has found itself in control of practically every section of the big republic and the most critical period of the whole Mexican situation at hand the government of Venustiano Carranza, it is reported.

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POLICE ATTACK RIOTING CROWD

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Jan. 16.—Rioting followed a strike of 1900 employees of the American Aluminum company here today. The strikers stormed the plant in an effort to bring out the men whose shifts ended during the day and attacked the police on guard with stones.

The police fired their revolvers in the air and then attacked the crowd with night sticks. Several policemen were slightly injured and four Poles were taken to the hospital with lacerated heads.

The men were getting from \$115 to \$120 a day and asked for an increase of 10 cents. The company offered 10 cents which was refused.

MOVIES MADE IN JUAREZ. L. J. Burro took his company of local movie actors to Juarez Sunday and took pictures of the Carranza commanders, the street scenes and scenes at the race track for the El Paso film.

Second Week Semi-Annual Clearance Sale

THE second week of our semi-annual clearance sale began this morning. Selling started even brisker than the first week. This goes to show that the public fully appreciates the Splendid Qualities and Low Prices that this sale offers. You simply can't afford to overlook the splendid values this sale offers—come tomorrow.

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CROWDS COMING TO CONVENTION

Pres. Heard Says Sheep Men Will Meet With Cattlemen.

Cattle and sheep men will meet and mingle at the American National Livestock convention here this month as an evidence that the cattle and sheep war of the old days has forever ended and that the two great livestock interests have united for their mutual interest and protection.

This was the statement made by Dwight B. Heard, president of the American National association, who was here Sunday afternoon on his way from his home in Phoenix, Ariz., to Salt Lake City, Utah, to attend the annual convention of the American Wool Growers association and to grace these livestock men to attend the El Paso convention in El Paso, Jan. 25 to 28.

While here president Heard conferred with J. H. Nations, president of the Panhandle and Southwestern Stockmen's association, regarding the attendance of that association at the El Paso convention. He left Sunday afternoon for Salt Lake but expects to stop here on his return trip. He was a guest of honor at the luncheon given at Hotel Sheldon Sunday at 1 o'clock for the best delegation from Las Cruces.

Big Crowd Coming. "I am looking for an unprecedented attendance at the convention of the American National Livestock association," said Mr. Heard. "Arizona will send a large delegation to the El Paso convention. Phoenix livestock men will charter a special car for their own accommodation and present indications are that the livestock men of the northern portion of the state, including Prescott, will send another special carload. The cattle and sheep men of Ohio and Greenlee counties, Cochise and Santa Cruz counties and Pima and Yuma counties are also coming in force, probably in special cars. Besides the cattle and sheep men there will be a number of bankers and some of the merchants who are collaterally interested in the livestock interests will also be among the visitors to the city during the week of the convention.

Big Questions Pending. "From what I can gather from correspondence with fellow officers of the National association throughout the country, I am impelled to believe that there is such interest in the forthcoming convention that large delegations may be expected from every portion of the livestock producing area of the United States. Many questions of the utmost importance to livestock producers will come up for discussion at the El Paso convention and I am inclined to believe that many producers who have been content, in the past to entrust their discussions to delegates will want to be on hand in person, this time.

Wool Growers Coming. "There will be a greater attendance on the part of the wool growers of the country, at the El Paso convention, than ever attended a similar convention, in my opinion. The sheep and cattle men are getting closer together than ever before. They are beginning to learn that they have many interests in common, which may best be served by closer communion, and they will foregather at El Paso, during convention week, than they have ever done before.

"As an evidence of the closer relationship between the two interests, which have been supposed to be diametrically opposed to each other, it may be pointed out that I, as president of the American National Livestock association, am on my way to deliver an address at the convention of the National Wool Growers' association and in return Mr. Hagenbach, president of the Wool Growers, will come to El Paso to deliver one of the most important addresses which will be delivered at our convention. We are expecting the gathering and because of that fact I expect to see many sheep men in El Paso while our convention is in session.

To Get Wool Exhibit. "While in Salt Lake I will exert my influence to cause the exhibit of wools and wool products, which will be the big feature of the Wool Growers' convention, to be shown in El Paso during the week of the livestock convention."

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SCOTT SUPPORTS BIG ARMY PLAN

Chief of Staff Favors Compulsory Service; Wants Continental Army.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—Major Gen. Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the army, told the house military committee at the army bill hearing today that in the event of war, the country must have an army of 1,000,000 to 2,000,000 men or "accident disaster."

The chief of staff reiterated secretary of war Garrison's view that if the continental army plan falls there is no escape from compulsory service. Every country at war in Europe realized that England might better have realized that sooner.

Gen. Scott said that under a service system, which lays the burden alike upon all men between 18 and 21 as a public duty, an adequate army could be maintained for what now is paid for the small standing army.

School training was desirable but not practical because of lack of control by the federal government, the general thought. He believed organization of the continental army would not interfere with recruiting for the national guard because the two forces would appeal to different classes of men. He added that training in the continental army would be necessary for soldiers than the national guard system.

TEN INDICTED BY GRAND JURY; NINE MEXICANS AND NEGRO

Ten indictments were returned by the grand jury Saturday afternoon upon which all of the men indicted have been arrested. The indictments are on charges of theft of property over \$50. He is a negro and is alleged to have taken \$15 from a negro woman. The other men indicted, together with their charges are: Mariano Conde, burglary; Paul Gillette, burglary; Ramon Dellos, Fernando Ancona, burglary; Luis Alvarado, theft from person; Antonio Ortega and Pablo Davila, burglary; Jose Delgado, burglary; Antonio Campos, assault with intent to murder; Jose Camarero, murder.

Six city prisoners have been transferred from the city police court to justice J. M. Deaver's court. They are: W. L. Blythe and T. L. Deal, burglary; Apolone Talamas, burglary; Jose Garcia, burglary; E. D. Beltran, O. Perez, burglary.

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